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In re application of

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to PCT/DO/EO/905 mailed July 14, 2000,
we enclose herewith the executed declaration which was omitted
at the time of filing the application.

The required 37 CFR 1.492(e) surcharge was paid at
the time of filing the application.

Applicants hereby claim small entity status under 37
CFR 1.9 and 37 CFR 1.27.

The undersigned also petitions for a five-month
extension of the time for filing this declaration until
January 14, 2001 and requests that the extension fee of \$945
be charged to Deposit Account No. 25-0120.

Respectfully submitted,

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To: Ms. Charitta A.BURT
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Dear Ms. BURT:

Re: Willem Frederik VAN EELEN et al.
Serial No. 09/581,912
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Pursuant to our telephone conversation of today, we transmit immediately hereafter a copy of a transmittal letter along with form PCT/DO/EO/905, an executed declaration, a claim for small entity status, and a request for an extension of time which were filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office on January 12, 2001 as well as a copy of our postcard receipt which evidences the filing of such documents on that date.

Your prompt attention to this matter is sincerely appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

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RECEIPT OF THE BELOW-IDENTIFIED DOCUMENT ON THE DATE INDICATED
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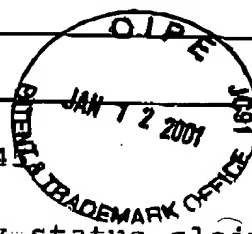
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NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

1. The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as

- ☐ a Designated Office (37 CFR 1.494),
☒ an Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495):
☒ U.S. Basic National Fee.
☒ Copy of the international application in:
☐ a non-English language.
☒ English.
☐ Translation of the international application into English.
☐ Oath or Declaration of Inventor(s) for DO/EO/US.
☐ Copy of Article 19 amendments.
☐ Translation of Article 19 amendments into English.
☒ The International Preliminary Examination Report in English and its Annexes, if any.
☐ Translation of Annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report into English.
☒ Preliminary amendment(s) filed 19 JUN 00 and _____
☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) filed _____ and _____
☐ Assignment document.
☐ Power of Attorney and/or Change of Address.
☐ Substitute specification filed _____
☐ Verified Statement Claiming Small Entity Status.
☒ Priority Document.
☒ Copy of the International Search Report ☒ and copies of the references cited therein.
☐ Other:

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2. The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- ☐ a. Translation of the application into English. Note a processing fee will be required if submitted later than the appropriate 20 or 30 months from the priority date.
☐ The current translation is defective for the reasons indicated on the attached Notice of Defective Translation.
☐ b. Processing fee for providing the translation of the application and/or the Annexes later than the appropriate 20 or 30 months from the priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f)).
☒ c. Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the international application number and international filing date.
☐ The current oath or declaration does not comply with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b) for the reasons indicated on the attached PCT/DO/EO/917.
☐ d. Surcharge for providing the oath or declaration later than the appropriate 20 or 30 months from the priority date (37 CFR 1.492(c)).
 3. Additional claim fees of \$ _____ as a ☐ large entity ☐ small entity, including any required multiple dependent claim fee, are required. Applicant must submit the additional claim fees or cancel the additional claims for which fees are due. See attached PTO-875.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH IN 2(a)-2(d) AND 3 ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN ONE MONTH FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY ☐ 21 OR ☒ 31 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

4. Translation of the Annexes **MUST** be submitted no later than the time period set above or the annexes will be cancelled. Note processing fee will be required if submitted later than 30 months from the priority date.

5. ☐ The Article 19 amendments are cancelled since a translation was not provided by the appropriate 20 (37 CFR 1.494(d)) or 30 (37 CFR 1.495(d)) months from the priority date.

Applicant is reminded that any communication to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above. (37 CFR 1.5)

A copy of this notice *MUST* be returned with this response.

Enclosed:

☐ PCT/DO/EO/917

☐ Notice of Defective Translation

☐ PTO-875

FORM PCT/DO/EO/905 (December 1997)

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